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February 28, 2023

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

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CELIA ZAVALA
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**APPOINTMENT AND SALARY FOR
COUNTY COUNSEL
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Recommendation to appoint and set the salary for Dawyn R. Harrison to serve as County Counsel for the County of Los Angeles.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Appoint Dawyn R. Harrison to serve as County Counsel at an annual salary of \$440,000, effective February 28, 2023.
2. Instruct the Director of Personnel to prepare and execute the appropriate agreement with the County Counsel.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to appoint a County Counsel for the County of Los Angeles and to set the salary for the position for Ms. Harrison.

Ms. Harrison has over 23 years of legal experience working for the Office of County Counsel. Since April 2022, Ms. Harrison has been functioning as Interim County Counsel with responsibility for providing legal advice to the Board of Supervisors (Board), County departments, and other County entities. Prior to her current assignment, Ms. Harrison functioned as Chief Deputy with responsibility for managing teams of attorneys and staff to address several high priority and major policy matters for the Board. In addition, Ms. Harrison has experience overseeing numerous divisions in the Office

of the County Counsel including Appeals, Affirmative Litigation, Board Liaison, Dependency, Ethics and Transparency, Government Services, Litigation Monitoring, Sheriff's Services, and Social Services.

Ms. Harrison possesses a Juris Doctorate from the University of Southern California Law School and a Bachelor's degree from the University of California, Berkeley.

Given Ms. Harrison's education and experience, it is recommended that the Board appoint Ms. Harrison to serve as County Counsel, effective February 28, 2023, at an annual salary of \$440,000.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Approval of these recommendations will further the County of Los Angeles' Strategic Plan Goal III.3, Pursue Operational Effectiveness, Fiscal Responsibility, and Accountability to continually assess our efficiency and effectiveness, maximize and leverage resources, and hold ourselves accountable.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The cost of the recommended salary will be absorbed within the Office of the County Counsel's budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The recommended salary will provide appropriate compensation to Ms. Harrison to perform the duties of County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

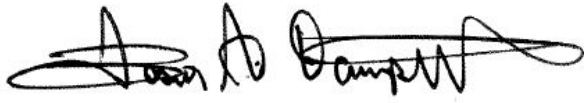
Implementation of these recommendations will provide leadership for the Office of the County Counsel.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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Respectfully submitted,

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FESIA A. DAVENPORT

Chief Executive Officer

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